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SUBJ: SECRETARY'S TRIP TO LATIN AMERICA

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS

1. BY FORTUNATE COINCIDENCE, APRIL 14 ANNOUNCEMENT THAT SECRETARY'S VISIT TO WEST COAST SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES HAD BEEN POSTPONED COINCIDED ALMOST EXACTLY WITH ANNOUNCEMENT OF CHILEAN CABINET REORGANIZATION (SEPTIL). AS RESULT, IMMEDIATE IMPACT OF FORMER WAS SOMEWHAT ATTENUATED.

2. GOC USED TO GOOD EFFECT LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN SECRETARY'S LETTER TO FONMIN CARVAJAL TO NOTE THAT SECRETARY STILL PLANNED TO VISIT CHILE LATER THIS YEAR AND THAT FONMIN CARVAJAL AND SECRETARY WOULD BE ABLE TO MEET FOR DISCUSSIONS, IN LESS HURRIED CIRCUMSTANCES, AT TIME OF OAS GA.

3. OFFICIAL, THOUGH NONATTRIBUTABLE LINE GIVEN TO PRESS BY GOC DEPRECATED IMPORTANCE OF TRIP POSTPONEMENT. POINT WAS MADE THAT GOC, WITHOUT IN ANY WAY DE-EMPHASIZING ITS INTEREST IN RESCHEDULING THE VISIT, HAS CONCENTRATED ITS EFFORTS AT THIS MOMENT IN FORTIFYING ITS FOREIGN CONTACTS IN LATIN AMERICA. VISITS MADE, AND TO BE MADE, BY PRESIDENT PINOCHET TO BRAZIL, URUGUAY, PARAGUAY, BOLIVIA AND ARGENTINA CITED, AND POINT MADE THAT PRESIDENT EXPECTED SOON TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT OF PERU AS WELL AS ARGENTINE PRESIDENT.

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4. CHILE'S LARGEST CIRCULATION DAILY, A TERCERA, PRINTS
RATHER SOUR EDITORIAL COMPLAINING OF SECOND-CLASS POSITION
US GIVES TO LATIN AMERICA AND WINDING UP WITH PRAISE FOR
PINOCHET'S PRESIDENTIAL DIPLOMACY, AS DESCRIBED ABOVE.
THIS IT IS STATED "CONFIRMS THAT THE ROAD TO LATIN
AMERICAN CONSENSUS DOES NOT NECESSARILY PASS THROUGH
THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE."
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